

July 28, 1995

Office of Statewide Planning and Development David Werdegar, MD, MPH, Director 1600 Ninth Street, Room 433 Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Dr. Werdegar:

College Hospital Costa Mesa has reviewed and is now responding to the June 1, 1995 OSHPD California Hospital Outcomes Reports. College Hospital Costa Mesa was limited in the procedures and conditions selected for this study. In the three general categories evaluated, acute MI, diskectomy and delivery, College Hospital Costa Mesa was only evaluated in the diskectomy category. College Hospital Costa Mesa does not have an OB unit and we experienced no mortalities following acute myocardial infarctions during this time period.

We agree with your outcomes measurement that our hospital was not significantly different than expected; none of our diskectomy patients experienced adverse outcomes.

The results of the study have been shared at the Department of Surgery, Medical Continuous Quality Improvement/Medical Records/Utilization Review, and Medical Executive Committee. Upon your completion of the final published report, we will share our outcomes with the hospital's governing board to apprise them of our outcomes in the diskectomy category.

We appreciate the opportunity to be a part of the California Hospital Outcomes Review. We look forward to your final published report.

Very truly yours,

Robert Johnson, D.O.

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